

# ***SHARP's MUSTCURE Criteria***

## **M**agnitude of the problem being addressed

<b>Low</b>	Less than 100 workers statewide affected (<5/100,000 FTE-yr.)
<b>Medium</b>	100 to 10,000 workers statewide affected (5/100,000 to 5/1,000 FTE-yr.)
<b>High</b>	10,000 or more workers statewide affected (>5/1,000 FTE-yr.)

## **U**rgency of the problem (e.g. infectious, rapidly changing exposures)

<b>Low</b>	Fixed Location, low "attack" rate, well described problem or exposure
<b>Medium</b>	Fixed or transient location, higher attack rate,
<b>High</b>	Transient location, changing exposures, unique opportunity

## **S**eriousness of the hazard or injury

<b>Low</b>	Temporary injury/illness, not incapacitating
<b>Medium</b>	Severe, temporary, incapacitating illness or injury.
<b>High</b>	Life threatening, permanent degradation of quality of life through injury, or illness

## **T**echnology transfer opportunities (e.g. tools, equipment for exposure assessment, solutions)

<b>Low</b>	Applicable to the study site only.
<b>Medium</b>	Applicable to a small number of industries, or workers
<b>High</b>	Applicable to a large number of industries/workers, (in terms of workplaces or number of workers, or both)

## **C**ost of the injury/illness being addressed, (Medical, lost wages, down time, etc.). Specify direct or indirect costs.

<b>Low</b>	< \$100,000/year
<b>Medium</b>	100,000/year to \$1 million/year
<b>High</b>	> \$1 million/year

## **U**nder reporting potential (e.g. reproductive hazards, illnesses not readily identifiable in Workers' Compensation data)

<b>Low</b>	No evidence of under reporting
<b>Medium</b>	Some evidence suggesting under reporting
<b>High</b>	Some evidence of under reporting

## **R**esearch gaps (e.g. incidence rates of work-related asthma in WA, dose response relationship of musculoskeletal disorders)

<b>Low</b>	Does not address research gaps
<b>Medium</b>	Somewhat addresses research gaps
<b>High</b>	Specifically addresses research gaps

## **E**merging or growing hazard, illness, injury (e.g. molds and IAQ issues) or new way to view well described hazard (e.g. lead exposure in construction)

<b>Low</b>	Perception of increasing incidence
<b>Medium</b>	Evidence suggesting increasing incidence
<b>High</b>	Evidence demonstrating increasing incidence